

The nomination of Todd Sunhwae Kim, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice.

## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 60 public bills, H.R. 3172–3231; 1 private bill, H.R. 3232; and 5 resolutions, H. Res. 392–396, were introduced. **Pages H2311–15**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H2317**

**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 1157, to provide for certain authorities of the Department of State, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–33). **Page H2311**

**Comprehensive Debt Collection Improvement Act:** The House passed H.R. 2547, to expand and enhance consumer, student, servicemember, and small business protections with respect to debt collection practices, by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 215 yeas to 207 nays, Roll No. 141. **Pages H2276–95**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill, modified by the amendment printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution, shall be considered as adopted. **Page H2276**

Agreed to:

**Waters en bloc amendment No. 1 consisting of the following amendments printed in part B of H. Rept. 117–29:** Bonamici (No. 1) that expands requirements debt collectors must meet to take legal action on a debt, including providing advanced notice of commencing legal action and updates FDCPA to require proof that a debt is legally owed and due; Adams (No. 2) that provides private student loan borrowers the same protections as federal borrowers, with regards to prohibiting servicers and credit reporting agencies from reporting adverse information and directs the credit reporting agencies to remove any adverse information; Bowman (No. 3) that ensures that debt collectors would not be allowed to contact consumers via social media unless explicitly provided written consent; Bush (No. 5) that requires the CFPB report to Congress in 6 months analyzing consumer complaint data relating to debt collection practices (including debt collection practices as it relates to medical debt and debts owed by servicemembers) during the pandemic, as well as a

list of enforcement actions taken by CFPB relating to debt collection during the pandemic; Cohen (No. 6) that adds language that would explicitly prohibit debt collectors from collecting or attempting to collect debt from consumers which the statute of limitations has expired and would also prohibit a debt collector from bringing, or threatening to bring, legal action against any consumer on a debt in which the statute of limitations has expired; Craig (No. 7) that adds a new section entitled the “Ryan Frascione Memorial Student Loan Relief Act of 2021” to release cosigners of private student loan agreements in the event of the death of the borrower, which will align current law with loans made prior to enactment of the Economic, Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act; Newman (No. 10) that requires the CFPB to create a page on their website with a consumer bill of rights for abusive debt collectors and resources, as well as directing it to be offered in different languages; Omar (No. 11) that directs the CFPB to study and report to Congress within 18 months about the consumer experiences and financial impacts of debt collection practices on student loan borrowers with private education loans, and requires an analysis on the practices of private student lenders challenging undue hardship petitions; Payne (No. 12) that requires the CFPB to report to Congress on the number of people unable to pay a debt because a debt collector is unable to accept a cash payment; Ross (No. 13) that directs the GAO to (1) analyze the trends and impacts associated with the use of electronic and telephone communications in the debt collection industry, and (2) recommend regulatory and legislative proposals to reduce the annoyance, abuse, and harassment of consumers by debt collectors, including the frequency of electronic and telephone communications by debt collectors to consumers; and Williams (GA) (No. 14) that commissions a report that identifies and analyzes racial disparities relating to debt collection practices and pro-vides administrative and legislative recommendations to address such disparities (by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 210 yeas to 202 nays, Roll No. 138).

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Rejected:

**Waters en bloc amendment No. 2** consisting of the following amendments printed in part B of H. Rept. 117–29: Burgess (No. 4) that sought to have the Treasury Secretary shall certify that this legislation will not limit the availability of debt products or increase their cost for Americans without a credit history, Americans with poor credit history, or Americans from lower socio-economic backgrounds; and Luetkemeyer (No. 8) that sought to direct the GAO to study and report to Congress within 1-year about how restricting debt collection will impact low- to moderate-income and minority borrowers with the bill becoming effective upon date of the report's release (by a yea-and-nay vote of 208 yeas to 214 yeas, Roll No. 139); and

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**Wagner amendment (No. 9)** printed in part B of H. Rept. 117–29) that sought to replace the underlying bill with targeted approaches to improve the debt collection and credit reporting framework which will ensure the financial system remains safe and sound while protecting and introducing options for consumers (by a yea-and-nay vote of 199 yeas to 224 yeas, Roll No. 140).

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H. Res. 380, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2547) and (H.R. 1065) was agreed to yesterday, May 12th.

**Suspension-Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure. Consideration began Tuesday, May 11th.

**Behavioral Intervention Guidelines Act of 2021:** H.R. 2877, to amend the Public Health Service Act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to develop best practices for the establishment and use of behavioral intervention teams at schools, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 323 yeas to 93 yeas with two answering “present”, Roll No. 142.

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**Senate Referral:** S. 1585 was held at the desk.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page S2296.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2292–93, H2293, H2293–94, H2294–95, and H2295–96.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### U.S. IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing entitled “U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Resource Management and Operational Priorities”. Testimony was heard from Tae Johnson, Acting Director, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security.

### MENTAL HEALTH EMERGENCIES: BUILDING A ROBUST CRISIS RESPONSE SYSTEM

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “Mental Health Emergencies: Building a Robust Crisis Response System”. Testimony was heard from Charles Dike, Medical Director, Office of the Commissioner, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Connecticut; and public witnesses.

### NAVY AND MARINE CORPS QUALITY OF LIFE AND INSTALLATIONS UPDATE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “Navy and Marine Corps Quality of Life and Installations Update”. Testimony was heard from Sergeant Major Troy Black, Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps; Lieutenant General Charles Chiarotti, Deputy Commandant, Installations and Logistics, U.S. Marine Corp; Todd L. Schafer, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Environment, Installations and Energy; Master Chief Petty Officer Russell Smith, Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy; and Vice Admiral Ricky Williamson, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Fleet Readiness and Logistics.

### MEMBER DAY

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “Member Day”. Testimony was heard from Chairman McGovern, and Representatives Hagedorn, Escobar, Case, Mrvan, Schrier, Tenney, Griffith, Rose, Cohen, Swalwell, and Jackson Lee.

### WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT REAUTHORIZATION: CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH EMPLOYMENT

*Committee on Education and Labor:* Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Investment held a